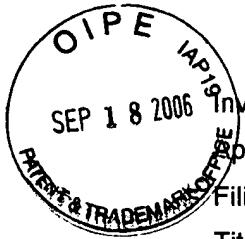


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 Application No.: 10/782,702 Examiner: Alvin J. Stewart
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Title: LOW PROFILE HEART VALVE PROSTHESIS

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	RATE	Fee			Rate	Fee			
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	MINUS	22	0	X \$ 25.00	0.00	X \$ 50.00		
INDEP. CLAIMS	03	MINUS	03	0	X \$100.00	0.00	X \$200.00		
[] First Presentation of a Multiple Dependent Claim					\$180.00		\$360.00		
					SUBTOTAL OF ADDITIONAL FEES	0.00			0.00
EXTENSION	1ST MONTH		2ND MONTH	3RD MONTH		4TH MONTH			
Large Entity	<input type="checkbox"/> \$120.00		<input type="checkbox"/> \$450.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,020.00		<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,590.00			
Small Entity	<input type="checkbox"/> 60.00		<input type="checkbox"/> 225.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 510.00		<input type="checkbox"/> 795.00			\$0.00
[] An extension for ____ month(s) has already been secured and the fee paid therefore of \$ ____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total month(s) of extension now requested.									
[] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.									
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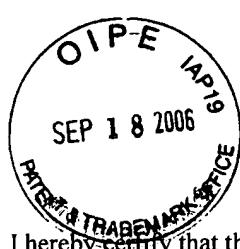
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 13, 2006, issued in connection with the above-identified application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the **LISTING OF THE CLAIMS**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 7 of this paper.